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1. JAPANESE DEL HAS RESPONDED TO US INQUIRY AS FOLLOWS: "THE SOVIET UNION MADE A REQUEST TO SONY IN AUGUST 1976 TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF DONATING SONY VTR FOR THE OLYMPIC GAMES, BUT SONY REFUSED TO DONATE THEM. THE SOVIET UNION MADE NO APPROACH THEREAFTER TO SONY ON THIS MATTER.

"ON THE OTHER HAND, THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES ARE INFORMED THAT SONY IS NOW NEGOTIATING WITH THOMSON-CSF ON THE USE OF SONY VTRS BY RADIO FRANCE, BUT THIS NEGOTIATION HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ABOVE-MENTIONED BACKGROUND.

"THE JAPANESE AUTHORITIES WOULD CONSIDER THE SUB-MISSION OF SUCH A CASE TO COCOM IF ANY NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN SONY AND THE SOVIET UNION DID OCCUR AND DID CONFIDENTIAL

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